support for your efforts for a just, comprehensive and workable solution, as provided in paragraph 2 of Security Council resolution 939 (1994).

I should be grateful if the text of the present letter and its annex could be circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under item 62 of the agenda, and of the Security Council.

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Annex

B. EUROPE

CYPRUS

194. The Heads of State or Government reaffirmed all previous positions and declarations of the Non-Aligned Movement on the question of Cyprus and expressed deep concern and disappointment over the fact that no progress has been achieved in the search for a just and viable solution due to the Turkish intransigence and the attempt of the Turkish side to introduce preconditions to the two rounds of direct negotiations, held in July and August 1997 between the President of Cyprus and the Turkish Cypriot leader, at the United Nations Secretary-General's initiative.

195. The Heads of State or Government reiterated their support for the sovereignty, unity, independence and territorial integrity of the Republic of Cyprus, and their solidarity with the people and the Government of Cyprus. They called once again for the withdrawal of all occupation forces and settlers, the return of the refugees to their homes in conditions of safety, the restoration of and respect for human rights of all Cypriots and the accounting for all missing persons.

196. While reiterating their position that the present status quo in Cyprus, created and maintained by the use of force, is unacceptable, the Heads of State or Government underlined the importance and urgency for the effective implementation of all United Nations resolutions, in particular Security Council resolutions 365 (1974), 541 (1983), 550 (1984) and 939 (1994), and to that end, for the Security Council to take resolute action and appropriate measures, including the holding of an international conference and the demilitarization of Cyprus, as repeatedly proposed by the President of Cyprus. They expressed grave concern about recent continuous Turkish threats of use of force against Cyprus and integration of the occupied territory by Turkey and deplored threats by the Turkish side that it will not attend any new round of talks unless the purported state in the occupied territory is recognized. They condemned the declared attempts of the Turkish side for a change of the basis of the inter-communal dialogue under the mandate of the United Nations Secretary-General. They considered such demands contrary to the relevant United Nations resolutions, the Non-Aligned Declarations and the principles of international law and called for their withdrawal.

197. The Heads of State or Government expressed their concern at the continuing lack of political will on the part of the Turkish side, as confirmed by the report of the United Nations Secretary-General (document S/1994/629, dated 30 May 1994). They reaffirmed their support for the United Nations Secretary-General's efforts for a just, comprehensive and workable solution, as provided in paragraph 2 of Security Council resolution 939 (1994) and decided to request the contact group of Non-Aligned countries to remain seized of the situation and actively support such efforts.